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Re: ICC Docket 04-0793

Dear Ed,

I want to thank you and the Commission staff for the quick response last week on our need for an amended order in our IPO reorganization case. Without that quick response, we would have had to postpone a number of carefully coordinated meetings and presentations and would have been required to delay the IPO itself, perhaps indefinitely. I am pleased that we will be able to bring the benefits associated with the IPO to the company and its customers soon.

I called earlier this morning in hopes of personally thanking you and to let you know I was following up with this letter. Unfortunately I missed you and will be traveling the rest of the day making it unlikely I will reach you today.

At the risk of missing someone instrumental in getting this reviewed and approved, I understand that the ones most directly involved were Joy Nicdao-Cuyugan, Alan Pregozen, Karen Chang, Theresa Ebrey, Sam McClerren, Sean Brady, ALJ Mike Wallace and Gene Beyer. I know they did not have the time they normally do to review a case like this and must have had other cases and responsibilities that had to be adjusted to make our case a priority. If you would pass my personal thanks on to them, I would appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Lumpkin